

Slade Franklin

Slade Franklin has served as the Wyoming State Weed and Pest Coordinator for the past 12 years. He originally started his career with the Wyoming Department of Agriculture in 1999 with the Pesticide Compliance program. In his current role he assists the twenty-three county Weed and Pest Control Districts with implementing their invasive species programs. He also manages several state invasive species grant programs including the Emergency Insect Management grants; Special Management Program grants; and the Pesticide Registration Fee grants. In addition he helped the state develop the Wyoming Agricultural Terrorism Response Plan and served on the Governor's American Recovery and Reinvestment Act implementation committee. He has chaired the Western Weed Coordinating Committee and helped organize both the State Weed Coordinators Alliance and the Missouri River Watershed Coalition. He has a Bachelor of Science degree in Wildlife and Fisheries Biology and Management from the University of Wyoming; is an Eagle Scout; and coaches competitive youth baseball. He lives with his wife and three sons in Cheyenne, Wyoming.